

Minutes of a Regular Board Meeting held by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead held in the Town Hall, Riverhead, New York on Tuesday, July 3, 1990 at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Joseph F. Janoski, Supervisor
John Lombardi, Councilman
Victor Prusinowski, Councilman
James Stark, Councilman

Absent: Denise Civiletti, Councilwoman

Also Present: Patricia Moore, Town Attorney
Irene J. Pendzick, Town Clerk

Supervisor Janoski called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Supervisor Janoski: "May I have a motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of June 5 and June 19, 1990.

Resolved, that the Minutes of Regular Board meetings of June 5, and June 19, 1990 are hereby dispensed and approved without objection.

Moved by Councilman Vic Prusinowski, Seconded by Councilman Stark.

The vote: Prusinowski, yes, Stark, yes, , Lombardi, yes, Janoski, yes, Civiletti, absent.

Supervisor Janoski: "Reports."

REPORTS:

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| Town Clerk | June, 1990 Monthly Report | Filed |
| Sewer District | Discharge Monitoring Report May | Filed |
| Pine Barrens Commission: | 1989 Report | Filed |

APPLICATIONS:

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| Chamber of Commerce | Shows and Exhibition permit for sidewalk sales | Filed |
| Elizabeth Mennuti | Shows and Exhibition permit for farmstand behind Riverhead Grill | Filed |

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| P.T.C.A. | Shows & Exhibitions permit for street fair and festival | Filed |
| Petition | Residents of South Jamesport concerning the activity at the McGillicuddy Bar in S. Jamesport | Filed |
| Church of the Harvest | Shows & Exhibitions permit for a Gospel Concert at Millbrook Gables | Filed |
| Jamesport Fire Dept. | A fireworks permit application for July 21, 1990 | Filed |

CORRESPONDENCE:

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| Alex Hansen | Dangerous intersection at Hulse Landing Road, Wading River | Filed |
| Alex Hansen | Congested traffic area around Lewin Farm Stand in Wading River as dangerous | Filed |
| NYS D.E.C. | Responding to DEIS of Splish Splash | Filed |

Supervisor Janoski: "The time for the first public hearing has not yet arrived. I'll open the meeting to public comment on any matter. Yes, Jim."

Jim Kreutz, Riverhead: "Glad to meet you all again. Every year we go through the same thing. Except for you, Mr. Stark, I've never met you. I should take all you guys to a barbecue or fishing so I could better acquaint with you. A few things that I would like to comment on. We've got a few problems on the beach in Riverhead. One is that 48-2, which I understand that you took back. We can launch our boats at any given time during the day, not between the hours of 9 and 6, but at any time. Is that correct?"

Supervisor Janoski: "No it is not."

Jim Kreutz: "It's not. You are trying to tell me that I can't launch my boat between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. on the beach?"

Supervisor Janoski: "I think we're saying yes."

Jim Kreutz: "Then why are you telling me that?"

Supervisor Janoski: "You can launch your boat."

Jim Kreutz: "I can. Oh."

Supervisor Janoski: "A very careful reading of the code."

Jim Kreutz: "I'm sorry. Maybe I said it wrong."

Supervisor Janoski: "Maybe I heard it wrong. A careful reading of the code indicates very clearly that there is an exception for the launching of the boats and retrieving them when you are coming in. You can also get your boat out of the water. At our former discussions I was not aware of that provision in the code, but clearly it is there and there is no problem at all. We will have to direct the Recreation Department that they are in error."

Jim Kreutz: "Who is this Recreation Committee? Are they phantoms? We never see them."

Supervisor Janoski: "No, No. It's the Recreation Department which is different than the committee."

Jim Kreutz: "Who are they?"

Supervisor Janoski: "They are the employees of the Recreation Department."

Jim Kreutz: "Who is in charge?"

Supervisor Janoski: "Stanley Grodski."

Jim Kreutz: "Could you spell that for me?"

Councilman Stark: "G R O D S K I."

Jim Kreutz: "He is the president, right? He's the main man we have to talk to, right?"

Supervisor Janoski: "There is no problem anyway, because what was looked at was the prohibition for operating a vehicle on the beach from 9:00 to 6. That in fact prohibited the launching of boats, because you have to drive your vehicle on the beach to launch a boat. But there is in the code a specific exemption for the launching of a boat. So there exists no problem."

Jim Kreutz: "Here's the next problem, now that we've got that one cleared up. For thirty or forty years, we have been leaving our boats and trailers down there, our vehicles and trailers down there on the beach. Now we seem to have a problem with that. There is also a problem; if you want us to put them in the parking lot. If we put 10 or 15 trucks and trailers in that parking lot, we are taking up 50 to 60 car parking spots. Which is also a problem. We grant that you are doing us a good thing by letting us leave them down there. But we are doing you a good thing by the same token."

Supervisor Janoski: "That is something that I am not prepared to say yes or no on."

Jim Kreutz: "I understand that. But I would like you to take note of it, because this is going to go on all year as it does every year. Last year you tried to keep us off the beach. Now this year you are trying to keep our trucks and trailers off the beach when we put our boats in."

Supervisor Janoski: "I'm not aware that we are trying to keep you off the beach."

Jim Kreutz: "Joe, this is me you are talking to."

Supervisor Janoski: "Well, this is me that you are talking to."

Jim Kreutz: "How many meetings did we go to last year to hash that out?"

Councilman Vic Prusinowski: "Who is asking you to remove the car and trailer from the beach? Police Officers, or employees?"

Jim Kreutz: "No. This has been a resolution just designed this year. It seems that the summer people come out and they sneak this stuff in when we are not aware of it."

Supervisor Janoski: "I'm not aware of any resolution-----"

Councilman Prusinowski: "No, there hasn't been any resolution passed. Nothing has been sneaked through."

Jim Kreutz: "It says it here that we are not allowed to leave our vehicles on the beach."

Supervisor Janoski: "Jimmy would you please let the Town Attorney try to explain this."

Town Attorney, Patricia Moore: "We haven't changed any of the laws regarding the beaches this year or last year as far as not being able to use the boat launching facility. The only thing that we have to be careful of is that when you get off of the boat launch area and you are now driving on the beaches, you are now creating somewhat of a liability to the Town as well as to the people who are walking or lying down on the beaches. That area is a very busy area and there are a lot of people that use that beach. Sometimes they don't really watch where they are setting their towels down and if you are driving and trying to move your trailer among some people you may cause some harm. And we don't want ---the exposure to the Town that there might be someone hurt while you are moving your vehicles off the boat launch area and onto the beach. That's been what, I believe, the

Recreation Department's been concerned with is keeping the vehicles away from the beach goers."

Jim Kreutz: "A very good point. Very good point."

Councilman Stark: "Do you have this thing in front of you?"

Town Attorney, Moore: "Which? The Code? I have the code in front of me."

Councilman Stark: "Okay."

Jim Kreutz: "Swimming, bathing area regulations, 48-17. Got it."

Town Attorney, Moore: "Yes."

Jim Kreutz: "[Swimming and bathing are permitted only in water area delineated or enclosed by floating lines or markers. No person shall launch, land, moor or operate any boat or vessel in, through or across the swimming and bathing area. No fishing is permitted in any swimming and bathing area.] So what you are telling me here in this area is the same as what we are talking about with our boats. People are only allowed to swim and bathe in that area that's roped off. Right?"

Town Attorney, Moore: "Sure. Yes."

Jim Kreutz: "So the other people that use the beach to the right of the ramp are using it at their own risk. We are also using that beach at our own risk. We are not going to deliberately going to run over a bather. We are going to go around them the best that we can. We are there to enjoy the beach as much as they are."

Supervisor Janoski: "We are allowing you to film this thing, which you don't have a right to do, so let's watch the rules."

Town Attorney, Moore: "We recognize that you are very careful when you are launching the boats. The people that are swimming supervised are between the roped off areas. Our concern is not so much the swimmers but the people who are using the beach, lying down and not paying attention to anything. They are daydreaming and enjoying the sun and you have cars that are trying to go on the beaches at the same time. That's the concern that you have. I want to call them pedestrians, but they are not. They are lying down, they are not walking or anything. To the extent that the Town says okay, you can use that, even though it is a beach area. The area to get to the water because it's recognized as no real launch area, you have to get onto the beach to launch a boat. To that extent we say, hey people, you see where it's logical that somebody would launch their boat, don't put your towel in the middle where you're going to get run over. However, when people say alright this area about 50 feet or

whatever, is where they launch the boat. Beyond that I think that somebody might presume, I'll put my towel down here, it's nice and quiet here, there aren't a lot of people. Well the reason that there aren't a lot of people is because it's an area for launching. It's those people that we have to be concerned about. That they don't get run over accidentally and we recognize that you are very careful. However, some people are not careful and accidents do happen. So we are trying to avoid those accidents, if at all possible."

Jim Kruetz: "I understand, but they are using the beach that they shouldn't use and we are using the beach that we shouldn't use."

Supervisor Janoski: "Alright, Jim. I think you understand what we are saying and we understand what you're saying and that's the end of the discussion. We've gone back and forth. You can launch your boats. We are going to have to devise a method of setting aside-----"

Jim Kruetz: "We can leave our trucks and trailers on the beach as of now?"

Supervisor Janoski: "I told you that I'm not prepared to say yes or no to you right now."

Jim Kruetz: "Okay. So I take it, we can. So let's go on to the next phase. I'm going to make this short."

Supervisor Janoski: "You are because you have been talking for ten minutes so far."

Jim Kruetz: "Please just give me a couple of minutes. Parking area at Roanoke fishing point unprotected beach is another problem. That's unprotected beach, there is no lifeguard. We should have access. We should go there at anytime.

Impoundment fees, there's another thing. The people in Riverhead, the Town, the Police Department, anybody, does not have the equipment or the facilities to impound anybody's vehicle, to take it off the beach. Our beach vehicles are worth between \$15,000. and \$20,000.00. If you take that truck and trailer off the beach and you hurt it and you're telling us we have no recourse, that's wrong. The standard fine is up to \$500.00 is sufficient. We do not go on the beach when we are not supposed to be there. I think that is something that has to be looked at. I'll just keep going through this."

Supervisor Janoski: "Jim, you have one minute left. Then you are going to be asked to sit down."

Jim Kruetz: "Towing prohibited. We've got a fishermen who breaks down on the beach and we can't tow him off the beach? That's wrong. Let me just go through this real quick. Safety on the beach. The fisherman are the ones that went down to clean up the beach. Last year and the year before."

Supervisor Janoski: "Jim you are wasting our time. I know what you guys do."

Jim Kruetz: "I have been on two occasions asked to take my boat and put it in the water when somebody broke down outside in the water by the Riverhead Police Department. No problem. Put my boat right in the beach. So far as safety on the beach you've got the best people in the world. The fishermen from Reeves Park in Riverhead. We will do anything that we have to do to help you. All we want is a fair compromise. Can we understand that?"

Supervisor Janoski: "I can understand that."

Jim Kruetz: "Can you? I really appreciate your time and your cooperation. Thank you. And I'll see you next month when we do battle again."

Supervisor Janoski: "What are we doing?"

Jim Kruetz: "This is going to go on all summer, right?"

Supervisor Janoski: "No it's not."

Jim Kruetz: "No it's not? Are we going to have another meeting on this?"

Supervisor Janoski: "Jim your time is up. Thank you Jim."

Jim Kruetz: "You're welcome."

Supervisor Janoski: "Is there anyone else wishing to address the Board on any matter? Yes, Alice."

Alice Graff, Riverhead: "I'm curious as to who are the engineers or contractors for the Roanoke Avenue resurfacing and drains that were set up. Could you tell me that please?"

Supervisor Janoski: "Roanoke Avenue is being done by the Highway Department."

Councilman Lombardi: "Southfork did the blacktop."

Alice Graff: "And the drains are being done by the Town?"

Supervisor Janoski: "Yes."

Alice Graff: "How come there is so much flooding after all that this weekend? Ohhhhhhhh, it has all been done and it's horrible. Thank you."

Supervisor Janoski: "I would suggest that you might want to, I mean if you've kept this within yourself until tonight, to ask this question, you would have been better served by picking up the phone and asking the Highway Superintendent."

Alice Graff: "Truthfully I just was talking to some people and they called me just before I came here. As a matter of fact I was a little late in getting here, because they called me to ask this question."

Supervisor Janoski: "Thank you Alice. Steve."

Steve Haizlip, Calverton: "I see the first of the month, Mr. Cuomo, or maybe I should address him, Governor Cuomo, kind of picked our pockets some. With higher expenses, gas and other taxes and so forth. But then I get a notice from Mr. LaValle telling me of all the good things he did but the only thing is he did not tell me that I upped my per diem per day. From 78 to 89. He didn't put that in there."

Supervisor Janoski: "Your per diem?"

Councilman Vic Prusinowski: "His per diem, Joe."

Steve Haizlip: "He increased that by 19%. Now it looks like that President Turncoat Bush is going to start digging into our pockets somemore and take us over the coals. The only thing that is left is Mr. Patrick, grab the tax, Halpin. He has vetoed a resolution to get rid of the County Legislature and create a County Manager which would be less money and to have a County Manager because the Executive is a much bigger title and has more fancy words. So he is not going to do that, so that's going to be more money out of our pocket. The final thought I have is that I read in the paper that you fellows want to go through a reassessment. Is this reassessment going to be a fair thing? Because the television Wall Street Journal, C. Mack, reports that a house that was selling for \$132,000.00 is now \$128,000.00. So that's \$4,000.00 less. What kind of system are we going to come up with that is going to be fair and equitable. Just for the sake of an argument; suppose you do the assessment now for me for \$75,000.00, but if I try to sell it, there is no way that I'm going to get it, but you're collecting taxes on it for that. Who is going to be these experts? Who is going to be treated fair Joe and the rest of the Board?"

Supervisor Janoski: "I didn't read the same article in the paper that you did because I don't remember any place where it mentioned the Town Board. However, the Town Board -----"

Steve Haizlip: "Well that's coming from Mr. Leroy Barnes, I guess."

Supervisor Janoski: "What I saw was Town Official. That's his responsibility and the Town Board is going to have to come to grips with what to do. You are aware that the Town of Southampton is reassessing. They have a large job to do because we are very much caught up with our information cards, etc. What people don't generally understand is this. If Southampton reassesses and the Town of Riverhead stays as it is currently, the equalization rate

will shift dramatically in favor of Southampton so the taxpayers within the Riverhead School District, who live in the Town of Riverhead, will then be paying a disproportionate share of the cost of running the school district. Now this is all complicated stuff, but that's the way it works. I know that we could stand and talk about this and explain all kinds of things over and over, but people are very distrustful of government. As much as we say that this is the fairest thing to do to get everybody up to the same value, that it distributes it more fairly, generally people are not going to believe it. There is the perception that it's going to cost more in taxes for everybody. That's not true. The Town of Riverhead went to full value assessment in 1980. The result of that was that one third of the taxpayers went up. One third of the taxpayers went down, and one third stayed the same. That is roughly what happened. So the people who were dramatically underassessed started paying their fair share. People who were overassessed were brought down and started to pay their fair share. That's what the system, Steve, states. We have to use-----"

Steve Haizlip: "I'm trying to find out if we are going to be fair on this deal."

Supervisor Janosk: "The Town Board is going to have to come to grips with it. Now we can do nothing and you can go happily along and probably pay a disproportionate share of the County taxes and not really realize it and we can keep our mouth shut and everybody can love us for not reassessing. You will recall that when there were rebates, it's called, from the County, Riverhead got the largest share. That's because our assessments are the fairest in Suffolk County. They are closer to true value. Because we were the last Town to do a full value assessment back in 1980. The second best is Islip, they did theirs, I think in 1978. The rest of the towns are so far out of whack that it's ridiculous. I always tell people who bring up this subject, using Southampton as a really great example, find out what Lauren Bacall is paying in property taxes on her home in Southampton. And if you think the system is fair using these old values, then I have nothing more to say on it."

Steve Haizlip: "I would like to address the Highway Committee Personnel. Mr. Prusinowski, did we get any response back yet in regard to the 495 deal?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "No."

Steve Haizlip: "I think it was somewhere around the beginning of March that I was bringing up the Newmark and Lewis situation. You told me at that time, hold off. There is going to be a public hearing on that. I think that I've got you pegged. You are coming up with stall tactics or appeasement tactics. Is there going to be a public hearing on it?"

Councilman Prusinowski: "I said on Newmark and Lewis?"

Steve Haizlip: "On that parking lot. I was talking about the problems there. The stalls and the handicaps etc. and then you said, 'Steve there is going to be a public hearing on that lot.' I said, 'Oh do you want me to wait for that then.'"

Councilman Prusinowski: "I understand that there is going to be a site plan submission to the Town Board because one of the stores wants to expand. In that time that's when we can address the parking situation in there."

Supervisor Janoski: "There's a couple of things going on there."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Yes, there are a couple of things going on there."

Councilman Lombardi: "They are putting drains in there right now, Steve."

Steve Haizlip: "Sometimes people don't serve you when you want them to serve you."

Councilman Prusinowski: "Steve, this is private property and it's also like with Waldbaums with new filed site plans, the Town Board has new covenants and restrictions. The problem that we have had all along with Newmark and Lewis which it's an old site plan and some of the covenants weren't put in there. When they come in for a new site plan review we'll put in the new covenants. Things like if the place is dirty, we will go on your property and clean it up and stuff like that, which has more meaning."

Steve Haizlip: "What I'm reaching for is the parking stalls. Those parking stalls in front of Dunkin Doughnuts are all gone. They park themselves out into the driving lane and there is barely room to get through."

Supervisor Janoski: "Newmark and Lewis is not the owner of the shopping center. Newmark and Lewis as a business wants that parking lot repaired up to standard with the striping redone. It is the owner of the shopping center, who this Town has had a problem with through the eleven years that I have been here and probably years before that since it was built. He is not a very cooperative person and his own tenants, Newmark and Lewis in particular, want that work done, the Town wants it done, but there are before us some applications for some additional businesses and I would hope that we are going to get there attention during this process."

Councilman Vic Prusinowski: "I'm so tired of hearing negative about Riverhead, Steve. You go to any other shopping center around Suffolk County, they're a disgrace, it's a pig sty. At least in our Town with our new shopping centers, with our new covenants the Town Boards, all Town Boards in the last

five or six years have done a wonderful job in posing restrictions that are making this Town a really nice place to live. Yes, we have a problem there and it's going to be fixed. It's going to be taken care of and once those covenants are on there he is going to be made to maintain that property. Most of the other businesses in this Town do it. They do it. They take care of it. They have to provide handicap parking and if he doesn't do it then we'll make sure it's enforced."

Councilman Lombardi: "Steve a notice was sent last week. Pat sent a notice to him, to straighten up."

Steve Haizlip: "I'm not being argumentative, Mr. Prusinowski, I'm just trying to bring this to the matter of-----"

Councilman Prusinowski: "I agree. I know this guy has been a problem with us for years. He's a private applicant and you have to wait. When he comes in for a site plan we will address all of these concerns."

Steve Haizlip: "I'm going to close with this statement. The fire lanes and the handicaps are well marked, but try to get parking lanes and stalls marked up so that everybody will know where they are going. We can't do that. But the fire lanes and the handicap are ticket issues. So I guess that is why they are all decked out. Thank you Joe."

Supervisor Janoski: "Thank you Steve. Why don't we go to the public hearings. I'll open up the meeting once again after we are finished with the public hearings. Let the record show that the hour of 8 P.M. has arrived and the Town Clerk will please read the notice of public hearing."

Town Clerk, Irene J. Pendzick: "I have affidavits of publishing and posting for a public hearing to be held at Riverhead Town Hall on Tuesday, July 3, 1990 at 7:45 P.M. to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding a proposed amendment to Section 103.11 of the Town Code."

PUBLIC HEARING 7:45 P.M. SECTION 103-11 - USER FEES

Town Attorney, Patricia Moore: "This is a change to our user fees in the landfill. When we had changed the cost per cubic yard of the different landfill fees, this particular fee was left at \$6.50. That was never the intent. We are rectifying that by increasing the yard for the weekend use by the non for profit organizations to \$15.00 per cubic yard."

Supervisor Janoski: "This hearing has attracted some little bit of attention, mostly from misunderstanding. There is no change in the fee at the landfill. It is \$40.00. What this resolution attempts to do is a conversion of the per yard cost and put it in line with the \$40.00 per ton which is currently

charged. It is for the benefit for those summer activities such as the boy scout camp who must get rid of their garbage on the weekend when the scale isn't operating. It allows them to bring their garbage in and insures that they are paying the Town the proper cost. Is there anyone present wishing to address the Town on this matter? That being the case and without further objection I declare the hearing closed. Let the record show that the hour of 8:02 P.M. has arrived and the Town Clerk will please read the notice of public hearing."

Town Clerk, Irene J. Pendzick: "I have affidavits of publishing and posting for a public hearing to be held at Riverhead Town Hall on Tuesday, July 3, 1990 at 7:55 P.M. to hear all interested persons who wish to be heard regarding the proposed increase and improvements of the facilities of the Riverhead Sewer District by the purchase of adjoining land and building at a maximum total cost not to exceed \$135,000.00."

PUBLIC HEARING -7:55 P.M.

Supervisor Janoski: "Thank you. Simply put the Sewer District is landlocked. The Sewer District is planning for the future improvements and expansion to meet the needs in the future. We are suggesting that we purchase the adjoining piece of property which presently separates the Sewer District property from Riverside Drive. It is the prudent thing to do in the belief of the Town Board to acquire the property now so that the needs in the future can be met. It is a business owned piece of property. After negotiations and appraisals it appears that it is a fair purchase price. It's not like you can go and buy the property some place else. It has to be next to the Sewer District unfortunately and it does have a building which we will utilize. Is there anyone present wishing to address the Board in the matter of Sewer District to purchase property? That being the case, without objection I declare the hearing to be closed. I'll reopen the meeting to comment on any matter. Joe."

Joe Sykora, Riverhead: "In the parking lot of Newmark and Lewis. It's getting to look like a used car lot. There's more used cars down there for sale than anybody has. Isn't that against the law?"

Supervisor Janoski: "Joe, I don't know if it is, but I have observed the same thing and it has bothered me. I've also noticed it at the former Welch's Asphalt. They are lined up there and it seems that just about every area of the Town that you go there are vehicles lined up for sale. The question is a good one because if it's not illegal I would propose that it be illegal unless you happen to be the owner of the vehicle and the owner of the property on which the vehicle is for sale. The use of that public shopping facility as a used car lot certainly isn't what anybody had in mind. I'm sure the owner doesn't like it. I notice a farm in Calverton that has quite a few vehicles lined up for sale too and these are things that have not gone unnoticed."

Joe Sykora: "Don't we have a code on that?"

Supervisor Janoski: "I'm not sure whether there is a prohibition on that specific----- It's a rather unique situation."

Joe Sykora: "I thought we had a code on that?"

Supervisor Janoski: "You may be right."

Councilman Stark: "If you have more than three cars, I think you have to have a used car permit?"

Joe Sykora: "That's right. That's what I mean."

Town Attorney, Patricia Moore: "Most cases are three cars. For example it might be ten different owners and I'm sure without the consent of the property owner. So people go there, leave their cars there. You may want to sell your car (inaudible, too many people speaking at once)"

Joe Sykora: (inaudible, too many people speaking at once.)

Supervisor Janoski: "I don't know what the situation is."

Joe Sykora: "It isn't right."

Supervisor Janoski: "Nobody is disagreeing with you. What we are saying is that the code perhaps does not address these-----This is a kind of different situation in which maybe a person who works in that shopping center puts his car there. It may be that it's a person that drops the car off and goes home and is trying to sell the car. We agree that it is a problem and it's wrong. What we have to do is develop an approach to it. I know that I have asked Richie about the Calverton deal. There is a truck, there is a bus, a couple of cars, vans. We see these things and we are developing an approach to them and following up on them. John just reminds me that the Zoning Board of Appeals is very much involved in the former Welch's Asphalt, that little body shop up on the hill there. This corner that you are talking about, as well as a number of other places, we'll deal with them. I think they are a hazard to tell you the truth. If you are stopping to look at a car approaching that circle you are really not paying attention to what you are doing."

Joe Sykora: "I was looking at a '49 Dodge there for sale."

Councilman Stark: "Do you want to buy it?"

Joe Sykora: "Well I looked it all over and it's in good shape. (laughing) I'll tell you that for a '49 Dodge."

Supervisor Janoski: "Where?"

Joe Sykora: "Down at Newmark and Lewis."

Supervisor Janoski: "Oh yes, I've seen that. Very nice."

Joe Sykora: "I have one more. On Griffing and Main Street. When you go to make the right hand turn. You have a parking meter there. And people park where that parking meter is and you cannot make that right hand turn. There is no sign there that says you can't make a right turn. And if you want to make that right turn you can't make it, because you've got a parking meter there and there is a car parked there all the time."

Supervisor Janoski: "Joe, I make that right turn every day."

Councilman Stark: "So do I."

Supervisor Janoski: "On a red light. Make it every day."

Joe Sykora: "Not when there is a red light there."

Supervisor Janoski: "Absolutely when there is a red light there."

Joe Sykora: "When WRIV has its van parked there?"

Supervisor Janoski: "Actually WRCN has its van parked there."

Joe Sykora: "I can't make it."

Councilman Stark: "You drive those too big cars."

Joe Sykora: "Oh, yes, I drive a nice big car."

Supervisor Janoski: "Well, I'll look at it again, Joe. But at least once a day I make that turn on the red light."

Joe Sykora: "When there is nobody parked there you can make it, but when you've got a car parked there you cannot make it."

Supervisor Janoski: "George, I want to save you for last because Cathy Casey has something to say. Yes."

Elaine Spero, Wading River: "I spoke the end of last summer about the problem with the jet skis for the swimmers. Well, about a week ago, Sunday, a constable was there a very reliable, wonderful man. And it was wonderful when he was there, but when he's not there the old conditions continue on as of now."

Supervisor Janoski: "I see the Chief of Police. What time of the day is the occurrence?"

Elaine Spero: "Between 3 and 5 P.M."

Supervisor Janoski: "The Chief of Police is trying to schedule the part time constable at the best hours to address these problems. I know that he has heard you and we will see what we can do. That additional constable is being paid for by fees that are being collected from the permit applications for four wheel drive on the beach which is something that they agreed to do last year, was to pay a fee. Cathy"

Cathy Casey, Wading River: "I have some questions that I hope we can get through, because I can tell that everybody is anxious to start the holidays here. I was contacted today by a family by the name of Krentz who lost their son approximately two years ago. He was blind, he was an attorney, etc. He left Wading River. The family would like to do something in terms of donating something in Wading River, such as perhaps, a park bench at the Ponds. What I'm looking to find out is who would you suggest that I suggest the family contact with regards to the donation. You know they would like to put a plaque on the bench in memory of their son."

Supervisor Janoski: "Why don't you stop at my office and then we will work it out."

Cathy Casey: "Okay. Quickly, any updates on the Swan and the Peach."

Supervisor Janoski: "We are passing a resolution seeking bids to demolish the structure tonight."

Cathy Casey: "Okay. I would like to get information if I could as to whom I might contact to invite Omni to come and speak at our Civic Association."

Supervisor: "I would ask that on Thursday, you call my office and we will give you the name and telephone number. Fair enough."

Cathy Casey: "Have you, the Town Board, had any further discussions with regard to the Grumman property. As you know there is talk going around of cargo planes, etc."

Supervisor Janoski: "We haven't had any discussions at all Cathy. I'm glad that you asked that question. What has happened with all deference to THE NEWS REVIEW. The news really has to write about something, so these stories start to appear and the local papers are sometimes better or worse. This is nothing more than a person connected with the FAA who is thinking out loud as to what he would like to see happen. There is no proposal to Grumman, to the Town of Riverhead for anything different at that site in Calverton. Very often a newspaper cannot print everything or train of thought that an individual says. So therefore they pick on little things. I doubt very strongly, which I have said over and over again, that the Navy, The United States Navy is going to allow a dual use of that facility. Naval aviation is

something that they protect, they don't even like birds flying across their property, let alone other aircraft. So that a dual use in my opinion and it's only my opinion, is really something that is out of the question. Unless their attitude has changed dramatically. Grumman itself, I think that there demise is greatly exaggerated. But it may come to pass that Grumman does leave the area and goes to California if the taxes keep on going higher and electric rates, all those things that they have to pay, it may very well happen. So that there will then be a proposal which will be real and this Town Board to get it. We haven't seen one yet. All we hear is people talking out loud. Now as long as I've been around, once again, I have heard rumors that the conversion of that Grumman facility into an airport. And I guess we'll continue to hear it. I think that everyone has to know that it is United States Navy Property owned by the federal government. That the Town is in a rather weak position, but certainly will be able to take some steps to determine it's future. I think that when a proposal is made, we will weigh the pros and the cons and try to come up with the best possible arrangement that we can arrive at as far as the use of that property. We already take the step of rezoning it and we did that at least three years ago. So that it can not be turned into a housing tract or any other use except what it presently is. And that puts us in a position at least as far as our ability to manage land use is concerned to control the situation. What in fact we have on the federal government, that remains to be seen. I think that it made a nice story in the newspaper. The fellow from the F.A.A. was here in Islip and he made a nice presentation and very clearly said, "These are things that I think should happen in the future."

Cathy Casey: "Well, we are obviously concerned as you indicated the government owns that land. The federal government come in one day and say that's what we are going to do folks. Obviously our feeling is right now be it the totally fact or not or just an idea in somebody's mind. You open it up for cargo planes you can kiss the whole area good-bye. Right from there the governments going to go the rest of the route on it and this is what we are very concerned about."

Supervisor Janoski: "I don't know that what you said is true. That the area is going to be kissed good-bye if aircraft land at the airport. Aircraft have been landing at that airport since 1950."

Cathy Casey: "But not to the degree of what we could have coming in there. We could wind up very easily like a MacArthur."

Supervisor Janoski: "I think that Town government has to make a decision based on fact. What you are saying is conjecture. That's how we have to arrive at our opinion. There is nothing for to say or discuss. I'll tell you what I used to say. When they want to change that airport I hope that I'm not around. And I still say that."

Cathy Casey: "Hopefully if and when anything more concrete comes, let's put it that way, as opposed to rumor, or whatever it may be, that we will all be made aware of it and in a position to do something about it."

Supervisor Janoski: "There is if you come right down to the bottom line which is the people of the Town don't want anything there. Then you have to be prepared to buy it. And if you buy it you're going to have to buy runways and it's not unimproved land. It's about 7000 acres which includes concrete runways, thousands of feet of concrete runways and I don't know how many square feet of buildings which are specialized and I'm sure very expensive. So you are not talking about a very small price of purchase of open space you're talking about something that is rather expensive. Plus all of the areas outside of the Grumman fence which were placed in open space and industrial zoning so that you wouldn't have homes building up underneath the runway. So these are all things that we will have to look at if that's on some peoples minds, which I guess it is. But many people don't think about that little fact that there is a lot of improvement there that the government isn't giving away."

Cathy Casey: "Well we'll be back and keeping an eye on them."

Supervisor Janoski: "Believe me if we get a solid proposal. Somebody from the federal government says this is what we are going to do, this is what we are proposing. I will share it with you because we are not going to bear it alone. We will share."

Cathy Casey: "We don't want you to share it along. We want to be there. My next question. Imperial Farms on the westerly side of Manorville Wading River Road which was Mr. Nohejl's property. I have been advised and there is a sign up there that six of his acres that the original builder bought was sold to a gentleman by the name of Carrerra. He's got a sign up there. He does have a foundation down and I'm looking to find out how big a piece it's going to be, what kind of homes is he building and where exactly are these six acres? From what I can see there are only three of them on Wading River Manor Road."

Supervisor Janoski: "I can assure you that whatever the lot size is it meets the code of the Town of Riverhead and Wading River in which in that area is one acre. Ed Carrerra is a builder who is well known to the people in Wading River. Having built Century Farms, which is something that I know you are very familiar with. A very attractive community and I almost wound up there myself. What would you like us to check on?"

Cathy Casey: "We looked at the foundation."

Supervisor Janoski: "Who's we?"

Cathy Casey: "My neighbors and I."

Supervisor Janoski: "Oh. Fox, Red Fox, etc."

Cathy Casey: "I just want to be sure of what he is doing in regards to the other newer homes that have already built and are currently being built."

Supervisor Janoski: "And when you find out what are you going to do?"

Cathy Casey: "We just want to know. We may come back and say----- Well one point was when Mr. Carrerra bought that land was he required to post any kind of a sign with regard to any kind of a hearing, with regard to the purchase of the property. Nothing."

Supervisor Janoski: "You don't have to post anything to buy or sell a subdivision."

Cathy Casey: "Alright. From there we would have to just get an idea of what size homes he is building."

Supervisor Janoski: "You say that he has foundations in?"

Cathy Casey: "He's got one in."

Supervisor Janoski: "Then we have the building plans."

Cathy Casey: "Thank you."

Supervisor Janoski: "George."

George Schmelzer, Calverton: "Somebody mentioned cars for sale. Well, I've seen guys have their car for sale. They have it in their yard. When they go shopping or to church or to work the sign stays in the car. It hasn't got too much significance I don't believe when you see an occasional car that's for sale. Sometimes there is a woman in it. You ask her what's for sale, you or the car?"

This tax map business, if he spent all of his money for 100% assessment how good is it for two years. The last time they did it they hired outsiders, who hired CETA workers and I had three or four acres of swamp land by the expressway in Calverton and they assessed it the value of a lot on Peconic Bay Boulevard. So I went to see them. Well that's a water front lot. We know what they sell for on Peconic Bay so we gave it the same value. That's the kind of appraisers they had."

Supervisor Janoski: "They probably asked you what you want to sell it for."

George Schmelzer: "No they are supposed to see the land before. How can the appraise that without seeing it? That's what they did. So they will come around with these CETA workers and ask, Is your house insulated? If you want less taxes you say no."

They ask you how old is the house? Well the house was started in 1890 something. So they have no conception of values. You can tell them anything and when the job is done if you've got a slump in values the whole thing is no good. If it rises in value like they had the last few years, it is no good either. So to spend big money on a another 100% value assessment, I don't know. It isn't good for very long. If the values stayed the same it would be good for a long time. But it isn't.

You talk about the beach. You look at a government geological survey map. If a cliff is 50 feet high; from the bottom of the cliff to the top it's set back 100 feet, that's the angle of the sand. So it's 100 feet from the beach. What does the government want 100 foot set back from the beach? So if you put a house on the edge of a cliff it's okay. Instead of being so worried about the poison ivy and the catrise think about the people first.

If something going to happen to the airfield in Calverton, the Town should make the most of it. Economically it will help the Town. Grumman is shrinking. It shrunk from Bethpage out to here. It's rumored that they have other places in the country and they might walk away from here too. So be ready for it. They are not going to knock that place down. How about it? Why should the Town be opposed to it." To the commercial use of it? I think it will be a benefit to the Town.

Now these parking lots here. I remember when they built the parking lot for Waldbaum. You couldn't get to the parking lot on the corner there, had to go out to the highway, go around the circle and come down again. That was crazy. So I told you. Why don't you make it a crossover? The Planning Board didn't think of it. The wonderful Planning Board. So a few weeks later, you had the crossover and no more problems."

Supervisor Janoski: "It's going to be named the George Schmelzer Crossover as a matter of fact."

George Schmelzer: "No they'll ride over me. I don't want people to ride over me all the time like that."

Councilman Prusinowski: "The State of New York does it all the time George."

George Schmelzer: "If it's possible, anytime a parking lot is made the land is disturbed, it's filled, the contour is changed and the compaction is not so good. So when you blacktop it about a year later where the compaction wasn't good it caves in and you've got to do it again. If it would be possible, it would better maybe to put a couple coats of oil on it and let the people ride over it for a year. Everything gets packed down good. Then you put the blacktop on. Two or three inches or whatever is required and then it will stay. It happens every time. I know it happened at second street too. You can't help it. The compaction varies when you move dirt. It's just a thought. I guess I forgot something, but I can't think of it now."

Supervisor Janoski: "That's a shame George, but we will be here same time, same channel two Tuesday's from now. Well it's the Fourth of July and we are going to get on with the business, George, and so we can all go home. Let us take up the resolutions."

RESOLUTIONS

Councilman James Stark: "I have a motion from the floor."

Supervisor Janoski: "Recognized, for the purpose of a motion."

RESOLUTION #489 - The Motion is an Order Authorizing the Increase and Improvement of the Riverhead Sewer District to Purchase Land and Buildings Adjoining the Riverhead Sewer Treatment Plant. So moved.

Seconded by Councilman Vic Prusinowski.

The vote: Prusinowski, yes; Stark, yes; Lombardi, abstain; Janoski, yes. Civiletti, absent.

3 YES, 1 ABSTENTION, 1 ABSENT

Supervisor Janoski: "Is there any other business? Have a happy Fourth of July and without objection I declare the meeting adjourned at 8:39 P.M."



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Town Clerk

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